

Medical Information Reporting for California

Privacy and Security Updates

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Security Procedures

- Controls to protect information from:
 - unauthorized access
 - browsing
 - destruction
 - modification
 - disclosure

User Agreement Form

- All facilities and designated agents must complete the MIRCal User Agreement form
 - prior to your MIRCal access of your data

- Hospital Administrator
 - Assign up to 7 users
 - Up to 3 of these can be user account administrators

Benefits of Security Procedures

- Address all aspects of data handling, including:
 - origination
 - input
 - processing
 - output in all forms

Work Behavior Practices

- Information Security Officer
- Common Sense Controls
- Notice of Privacy
- Privacy Officer

Notice of Privacy

- Posted in conspicuous places
 - Obtain personally identifiable data only through lawful means
 - Specify reasons for collection
 - Do not disclose, make available, or use
 - Secured against loss, damage, modification, and unauthorized disclosure

Benefits of Behavior Practices

Address all aspects of authorized access

 Report security violation and concerns to Information Security Officer (ISO)

More awareness and safety precautions

Privacy Procedures

- Controls to determine approval for use of patient level data
 - Review Process
 - Applicable laws
 - Final Review
 - Shipping Process
 - Retrieval Process

Forms

- Request for Nonpublic Patient Level Data
- Specification Form
- Justification Form
- Contractor/Agent Form
- Agreement Form

- Staff Analysis Form
- Internal Review Recommendation
- Approval Memo from Deputy Director to staff
- Approval Letter to the requester

Benefits of Privacy Procedures

- Privacy Procedures address all aspects of releasing and retrieving data
 - written procedures
 - business practices in handling requests
 - clear instructions for requesters
 - person's right to privacy from misuse

Reassurance

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- Work Behavior
- Privacy
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